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## "Shibuya: International City of Peace" Forum — Global Warming: Let's think of the future of the planet — to be Held on 17 December

Event:	"Shibuya: International City of Peace" Forum
	Global Warming: Let's think of the future of the planet
Date:	17 December 2009 (Thursday), 4:00 PM
Venue:	Elizabeth Rose Conference Hall, United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo
Organizer:	Shibuya City
Co-organizer:	United Nations University (UNU)

- UNU has been cooperating with the Shibuya City Office to organize a series of public forums since 2003 and this will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> forum. "Global Warming: Let's think of the future of the planet" has been chosen as the theme of the forum in relation to the on-going UN led event on climate change: COP 15 in Copenhagen (7-18 December). This forum attempts to further convey the importance of global challenges to the general public.
- In 2002, to mark the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, Shibuya adopted an ordinance designating October 1 the anniversary date of the city's establishment as "Shibuya, International City of Peace Day". Through this ordinance, Shibuya declared its intention to become an International City of Peace and Culture, with the support of all city residents and imbued with a strong sense of the value of local government initiatives. This forum is one of the efforts by Shibuya to promote its vision of being a city of peace and culture.
- <Guest Speakers>
  - Seita Emori, Chief, Climate Risk Assessment Research Section, Center for Global Environmental Research, National Institute for Environmental Studies
  - Chun Knee Tan, Global Environment Information Center (GEIC) Coordinator, United Nations University
- There will be an approx. each 30 min. presentation by Mr. Emori and Mr. Tan followed by a dialogue session between the two speakers (approx. 45 min.).
- Simultaneous English–Japanese interpretation will be provided.
- Advance registration for the general public is necessary by calling Shibuya City Office, International Cultural Exchange Division, and Planning Department at 03-3463-1142.

To reserve a space at this forum, media representatives may contact Naoko Tochibayashi Yano, UNU Office of Communications (tel: 03-5467-1311; e-mail: media@unu.edu).